# FISCAL NOTE

## SB 1752 - HB 1770

March 20, 1997

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Eliminates the ability to file complaints against violators of the Water Quality Control Act of 1977, if entities are acting or conducting operations pursuant to a final permit or certificate authorizing such operations, and is complying with the requirements of said permit or certificate.

## **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### MINIMAL

As written, this bill would have minimal impact; however, the Department of Environment and Conservation states that the EPA requires a mechanism for such complaints to exist in the state's program. Passage of this bill would eliminate that mechanism for such compliance, putting the Water Pollution Program out of compliance with federal standards.

## **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director